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## SMOKING ON SCHOOL PREMISES

The School Board recognizes that smoking represents a health and safety hazard which can have serious consequences for the smoker and nonsmoker and the safety of the District. In order to protect the students, staff, employees, visitors and guests of the District from an environment that may be harmful to them, and because of possible harm to personal well-being, the Board hereby prohibits smoking by staff members, employees, visitors, or guests in all District buildings, on grounds, and in all school vehicles at all times.

For the purpose of this policy, "smoking" will mean all uses of tobacco, including cigars, chewing tobacco, cigarettes, and pipes.

It is understood that this policy will be in addition to other Board policies concerning the prohibition of smoking by students on school property and buses.

This smoking prohibition will be in effect for regular school hours. Provided classes are not in session, the use of tobacco products on school property outside the building/facility shall be permitted only in designated areas during a school athletic contest or fine arts performance.

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